

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

DCI/IC 74-0505

15 January 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Henry A. Kissinger
Assistant to the President for National
Security Affairs
Chairman, NSCIC

SUBJECT: Middle East Post-Mortem Report

1. You may recall that in my memorandum to you of 27 October 1973, I mentioned that our Intelligence Community Staff had undertaken a thorough review of intelligence community activities pertaining to the Middle East crisis of last fall. I promised at that time to share the results of our study with you. Accordingly, I am sending you the attached Preliminary Post-Mortem Report, which is the first of several papers we plan to issue on the subject.

2. I think you will find this particular report interesting. It explores, in quite candid fashion, a fairly broad array of topics and concludes with a series of wide-ranging recommendations. These, incidentally, are couched in general language, not because we intend to be diffident in our search for remedies for the ailments besetting us, but, rather, because we sought in this paper only to provide guidance to those who must work (and who now, in fact, are working) out the specifics.

3. It would be very good to receive comments from you concerning your reactions to this effort, particularly since other aspects of the post-mortem process which are in process would benefit from your wisdom. We hope to receive comments from other members of the NSCIC as well.


W. E. Colby

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cc: NSCIC Members
Chairman, PFIAB

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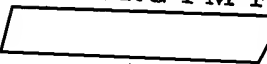
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15 January 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Admiral Thomas H. Moorer
Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff


SUBJECT: Middle East Post-Mortem Report

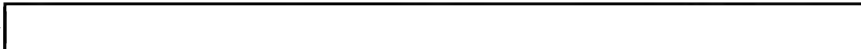
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2. For your information, I am also attaching my memorandum to the Chairman, NSCIC, concerning this report.


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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Kenneth Rush
Deputy Secretary of State

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15 January 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable W. P. Clements
Deputy Secretary of Defense

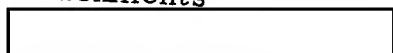
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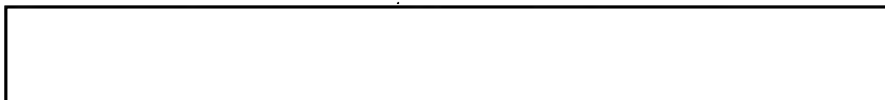
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Admiral George W. Anderson, Jr.
Chairman, President's Foreign
Intelligence Advisory Board

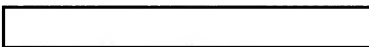
SUBJECT: Middle East Post-Mortem Report

1. I have sent a copy of our Preliminary Post-Mortem Report on the Middle East crisis of last fall to the Chairman and members of NSCIC and, knowing of your interest, I am also sending a copy to you (attached). I hope very much that we will be able to elicit comments from you concerning this earnest effort of self-appraisal.

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